Implementation of Operation Flood Programe in Orissa

1510. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI:
SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK:

Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

(a) the different Operation Flood Programmes being implemented in Orissa and since when;

(b) whether Government have made any review of those programmes; and

(c) if so, the details of the achievements, particularly where it is being implemented on co-operative basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) The Operation Flood Programme was implemented in Orissa in two phases (OF II and OF BI) since 1978, Operation Flood III has come to an end on April 30,1996.

(b) and (c) The programme is periodically reviewed. The progress of key parameters of milk cooperatives in Orissa as at September, 1996 is as follows:

(Provisional)

Dairy Cooperative Societies Organised	1087 (June'96)
Farmer Members ('000)	72 (June, 1996)
Average Daily Procurement (Thousand kg per day)	68.72
Average Daily Marketing (Thousand litres per day)	87.37
Milk Processing Capacity (Thousand litres per day)	125.00

Smog Menace over Delhi

1511. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of "Smog menace in the Capital", as reported in the "Hindustan Times" dated the 19th November, 1990 which, is becoming a 'threat for Delhites;

(b) whether Government are also aware that similar Smog problem in Tokyo and New York has already claimed several lives;

(c) whether the Central Pollution Control Board has so far prepared any concrete plan to tackle the deadly pollution problem indicating whether any action has been taken on the Report of a high-powered Committee, headed by former Environment Secretary, R. Rajamani, till date; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAIN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) and (d) The Central Pollution Control Board is continuously monitoring the level of pollution in Delhi. However, the Govemment have taken the following steps to control pollution in Delhi:—

(i) Enforcement of standards for control of vehicular omission through State Transport Authorities.

(ii) Implementation of standards for new vehicles at manufacturing stage and reduction of tetra-ethyl-lead in Petrol, i.e., 0.013 g/1 with effect from 1.4.95 in four major cities including Delhi.

(iii) Enforcement of standards for gaseous omissions under the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

(iv) Environmental guidelines have been evolved for siting and operation of industries,

(v) Implementation of mass emission standards for vehicles (both for petrol and diesel driven) to be met by vehicle manufacturers in a placed manner.

(vi) Use of beneficiated coal for power plants.

(vii) Fuel quality specifications have been notified for reduction of sulphur content in diesel,

(viii) Owners of the vehicle are required to obtain "Pollution Under Control" certificate (PUC) every three months from the State Transport Authorities.

(ix) Regulations have been framed and are being implemented under Hazardous Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 1989 and Manufacture, Storage, Impact of Hazardous Chemical Rules, 1989.

The Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi is implementing the recommendations of the High Powered Committee headed by Shri R. Rajamani.

Utilisation of Kurh Terminus

1512. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether full utilisation of Kurla Terminus is being made for the purpose of arrival and departure of trains;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the time by which the Kurla Terminus will be put to full utilisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (d) Utilisation and planning of terminals and train services is an ongoing process on Indian Railways. Kurla Terminus which was set up for handling Mail/Express trains due to congestion in other Mumbai area terminals of Central Railway is being fully utilised for arrival/departure of trains as per present availability of connected infrastructural facilities. Seven pairs of daily and four pairs of non-daily trains are originating/terminating at Kurla Terminus.

Exploitation or Group-D employees in Kendriya Vidyalayas

1513. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the group 'D' employees of schools of Kendriya; Vidyalayas Sangathan are being deputed as chowkidars and are being forced to work for an uninterrupted period of 14-18 hours a day, without payment of any overtime allowance; and

(b) if so, the details and justification, if any therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHl RAM SAIK3A): (a) and (b) The duty hours of Group D' employees working as Chawkidar start after closing of the Vidyalayas and end the next day when the Vidyalayas reopen. No overtime is paid for performing their normal duty. However, they are entitled to get Over Time Allowance as admissible to Group D' employees, if they are put on duty on off days, National and other holidays admissible to them. Further, it has been recently decided to pay Rs. *1001-* per month as night duty allowance to Group 'D' employees working as Chowkidar in Kendriya Vidyalayas.

Operation black board programme in Andbra Pradesh

1514. DR. D. VENKATESHWAR RAO: Will the Minsiter of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent a proposal for release of an additional amount of Rs. 90.95 crores for Operation Black Board Programme;

(b) if so, whether the said proposal is pending with Government since 1995;

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay;

(d) the total amount provided to the State by Government for Operation Black Board Programme so far; and

(e) the likely amount to be provided for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) No such proposal has been received by this Department.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Govemment of Andhra Pradesh has been granted Central Assistance of Rs. 16420.30 Lakhs from 1987-88 to 1995-96 under Operation Blackboard Scheme.

(e) No proposal for release of funds to Andhra Pradesh under Operation blackboard is pending with the Department at present.